

# PRINCE OF PEACE

Spokane, Washington

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 6, 2025

(9am)



Welcome in the name of Jesus. If you are exploring faith in God for the first time, or if you are seeking a new church home, or if you've been coming here for years, we welcome you. We welcome children in worship and we recognize their wiggles and giggles as a sign of the joy of the Lord within them. We warmly invite you to take part and see the difference God can make.

\*denotes to stand if you are able

## Gathering

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Welcome

\*Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism,  
as the presiding minister begins.*

P: During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart. Let us confess our sin and seek reconciliation with God and neighbor.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination*

P: Gracious God,

All: you sent Jesus Christ to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We fail in love, neglect justice, and ignore your truth. Have mercy on us and wash away our sin. Create in us clean hearts for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

**P:** Behold, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation. Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.  
**All:** Amen

\*Hymn

## As We Gather at Your Table



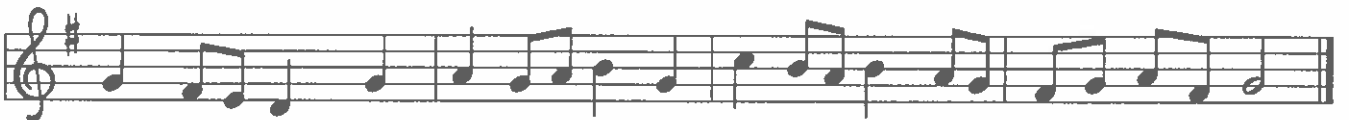
1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;  
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;  
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.  
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenliedes en Contradansen*, 1710

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L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

\*Kyrie

"Return to God"



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the  
Source of grace and mer - cy; Come, seek the ten - der  
faith - ful - ness of God.

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\*Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

All: **Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Word

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

Special Music

"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

Men's Choir

Readings

**Isaiah 43:16-21**

*The prophet declares that long ago God performed mighty deeds and delivered Israel from Egyptian bondage through the waters of the sea. Now, God is about to do a new thing, bringing the exiles out of Babylon and through the wilderness in a new Exodus.*

<sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, <sup>17</sup> who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: <sup>18</sup> Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. <sup>19</sup> I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. <sup>20</sup> The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, <sup>21</sup> the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

L: The word of the Lord,

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 126

<sup>1</sup> When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,  
then were we like those who dream.

<sup>2</sup> **Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.  
Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for  
them."**

<sup>3</sup> The LORD has done great things for us,  
and we are glad indeed.

<sup>4</sup> **Restore our fortunes, O LORD,  
like the watercourses of the Negeb.**

<sup>5</sup> Those who sowed with tears  
will reap with songs of joy.

<sup>6</sup> **Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

## Philippians 3:4b-14

*Writing to Christians in Philippi, Paul admits that his heritage and reputation could give him more reason than most people to place confidence in his spiritual pedigree. But the overwhelming grace of God in Jesus calls Paul to a new set of values.*

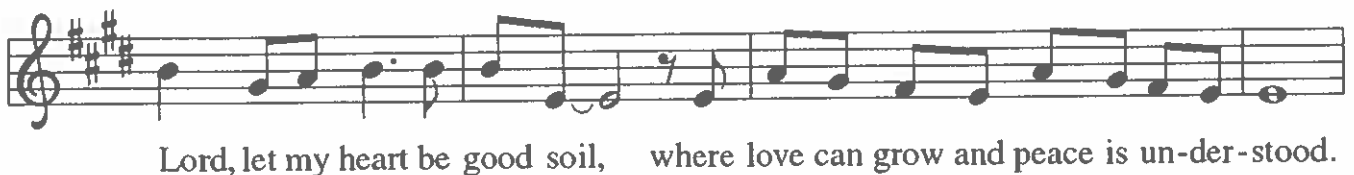
[Paul writes:] <sup>4b</sup> If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. <sup>7</sup> Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup> and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. <sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup> Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

L: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### \*Gospel Acclamation

## Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil



When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,  
warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.  
Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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## \*Gospel

## John 12:1-8

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to John the 12th chapter.

**All:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Judas willfully misinterprets as waste Mary's extravagant act of anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume. Jesus recognizes that her lavish gift is both an expression of love and an anticipation of his burial.*

<sup>1</sup> Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup> There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. <sup>3</sup> Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. <sup>4</sup> But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, <sup>5</sup> "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" <sup>6</sup> (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) <sup>7</sup> Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. <sup>8</sup> You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

**L:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**All:** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Children's Sermon

Sermon

Pastor Joel Skindlov

## \*Hymn of the Day

### Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to  
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us thy  
ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; let us all in  
all thy life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re -  
spot - less let us be; let us see thy



hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
thee in - her - it; let us find thy prom - ised rest.  
turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.  
great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee!



Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un -  
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha  
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee  
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in



bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
heav'n we take our place, till we cast our





**\*Sharing God's Peace**

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
All: **And also with you.**

**Meal**  
*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

Offering

**\*Offering Hymn**                      *"That We May Be Filled"*

Not as we ought but as we are a - ble, we  
of - fer our thanks as we come to your ta - ble. Through  
Word and Spir - it bless us; through bread and wine re - fresh us that  
we may be filled, that we may be filled with love.

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## \*Offering Prayer

L: Merciful God,

All: receive the sacrifice of our praise and thanksgiving and the offering of our lives, that following in the way of the cross, we may know the joy of the resurrection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## \*The Lord's Supper

P: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give God our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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**\*Words of Institution**

**\*The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen**



*"All who believe that Jesus Christ is present in this bread and wine as He has promised are welcome to join in the Lord's Supper."*

**Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

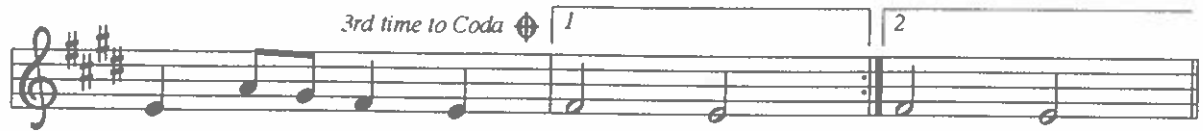
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## Communion Hymns

### Praise to You, O God of Mercy

1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -  
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -  
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -

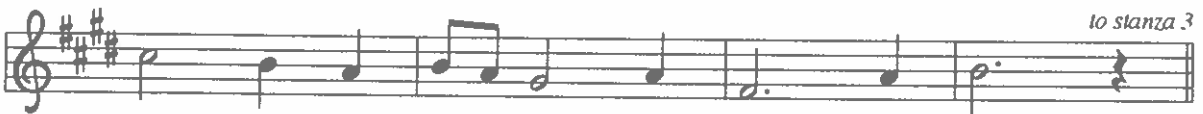
ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:  
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:  
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
 thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful - ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

 Coda

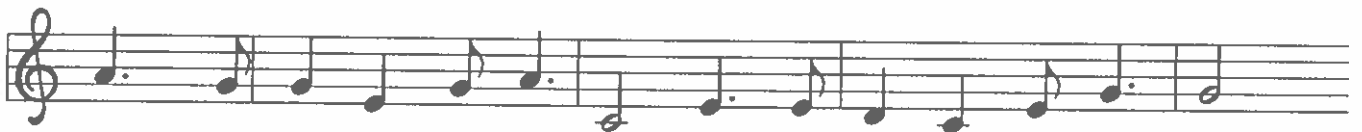


ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

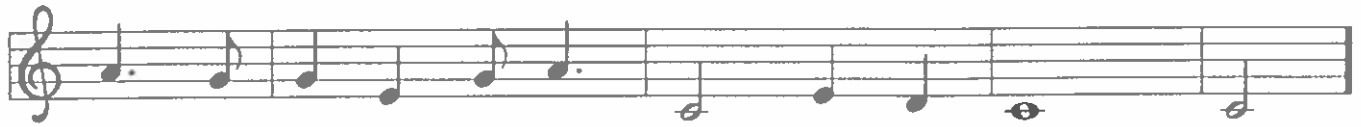
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## Give Me Jesus

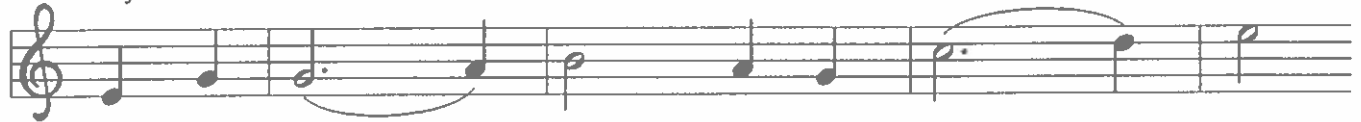


1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,  
 2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,  
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,  
 4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,  
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,

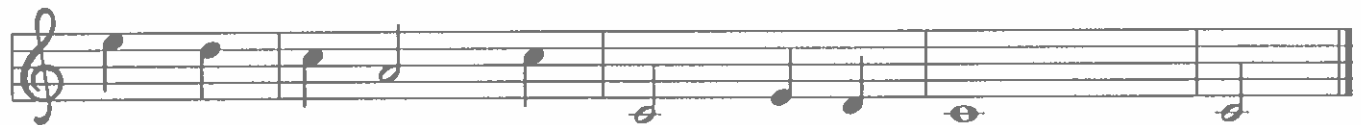


in the morn - ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.  
 dark . . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.  
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.  
 oh, . . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.  
 and . . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

*Refrain*



Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

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 Music: GIVE ME JESUS, African American spiritual

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## Thine the Amen



1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise  
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be  
 3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest  
 4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise  
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread  
 thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee  
 thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be  
 thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways  
 thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup  
 gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry  
 then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war  
 thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least  
 then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.  
 thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

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### \*Blessing

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Live in peace, your sins are forgiven.  
**All: Amen**

### \*Post Communion Prayer

**L:** Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord.

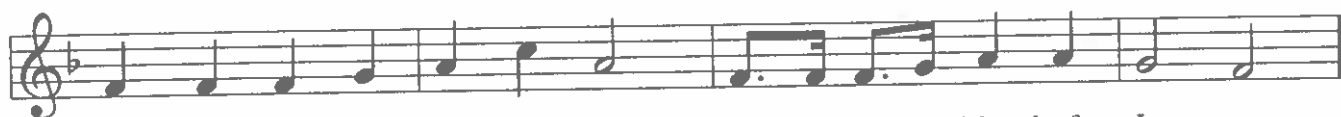
**All: Amen**

\*Post Communion Hymn

*"What Can Take Away My Sin"*



1 What can wash a - way my sin? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
2 For my par - don this I see: noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
3 Noth-ing can for sin a - tone: noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
4 This is all my hope and peace: noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.



What can make me whole a - gain? Noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
For my cleans-ing this my plea: noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
Naught of good that I have done: noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.  
This is all my righ-teous-ness: noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

*Refrain*



Oh, pre - cious is the flow that makes me bright as snow;



no oth - er fount I know: noth-ing but the blood of Je - sus.

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Announcements- Please use the microphone



# Sending

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

## \*Blessing

**P:** May God who has called us forth from the dust of the earth, and claimed us as children of the light, strengthen you on your journey into life renewed. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you ☩ peace.

**All:** Amen

## \*Hymn

### O Christ the Same

1 O Christ the same, through all our sto - ry's pag - es—  
2 O Christ the same, the friend of sin - ners, shar - ing  
3 O Christ the same, se - cure with - in whose keep - ing

our loves and hopes, our fail - ures and our fears;  
our in - most thoughts, the se - crets none can hide;  
our lives and loves, our days and years re - main;

e - ter - nal Lord, the king of all the a - ges,  
still as of old up - on your bod - y bear - ing  
our work and rest, our wak - ing and our sleep - ing,

un - chang - ing still a - mid the pass - ing years:  
the marks of love in tri - umph glo - ri - fied:  
our calm and storm, our plea - sure and our pain:

O liv - ing Word, the source of all cre - a - tion,  
 O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heav - en—  
 O Lord of love, for all our joys and sor - rows,

who spread the skies and set the stars a - blaze;  
 O Prince of life, in all your sav - ing power;  
 for all our hopes when earth shall fade and flee;

O Christ the same, who wrought our whole sal - va - tion,  
 O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are giv - en:  
 O Christ the same, be - yond our brief to - mor - rows,

we bring our thanks for all our yes - ter - days.  
 we bring our thanks for this the pres - ent hour.  
 we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

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## Prince of Peace's Purpose Statement

**L:** God's purpose for Prince of Peace

**All:** is to share the story of God's love in, with, and for the community.

**L:** Marked with the cross of Christ, go in peace  
 to love and serve the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.



## **Lenten Schedule**

### **Mid-Week Lenten Services:**

**April 9 at 7pm**

**(Soup Supper at 6:00 pm)**

### **Holy Week**

**Maundy Thursday– April 17th- 7pm**

**Good Friday– April 18th- 7pm**

## **Prayers of the Church**

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### ***New requests of prayers for hope and healing for:***

Luke Bauernfeind, Amy Colwell & family (cousin of Joy Liezen), The family of Mitch Hansen, Carson Hertel (great grandson of Sanborns), Mike Kaszycki (friend of the Elliotts), for the family of Naomi Lungstrom (former members), Iris Pehan, Bobbie Smith (mother of Mark Smith), and the family of Alan Wisor.

### ***Continued prayers for:***

Jacob Anderson (friend of the Skindlovs), Pam Carlson, Ashley Catucci (friend of Janet Robel), Joyce Cleveland (friend of the Renfords), Denise, who struggles with mental illness & homelessness, Bill Dupuis, Laney Floyd (Kim & Diane Floyd's grand-daughter), the great nephew of Frosheiser's, Nancy Griffith, Josh Hawley, Keith Humphrey, Gary & Sandy Johnson (friends of the Sanborns), Dora & Curt Larson (sister & brother in law of Iris Pehan), Matthew Menetto (friend of the Skindlovs), Doug Moeller (brother of Dave Moeller), Berta Quick (aunt of Ami Elliott), Judy Reihman, John Renford, Don Rogge, Judy Runion (sister of Curt Froscheiser), and Hannah Stewart Longhurst (friend of Frank Christoff).

### ***Prayers of safety for:***

Alex Holden, John Perrine, Seth Hertel and all Armed Forces serving around the world. We also pray for peace and comfort for their families during their time of separation.

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office at: 509-465-0779 or [popoffmgr@comcast.net](mailto:popoffmgr@comcast.net). Requests will remain on the list for a month unless the office is contacted to extend the request. Thank you.

## Announcements

### Preschool Bibles

The congregation at Prince of Peace continues the tradition of purchasing Bibles for the 4 year olds leaving our preschool to start Kindergarten in the fall. We have 20 students graduating from the preschool program in May. The Bibles cost \$8.00 this year. If you would like to donate to the Bible fund, please indicate on your check or place cash in an envelope labeled "Bibles". Thank you.

### Lenten Worship Schedule– April 9th Last One!

#### Lenten Soup Suppers with a twist!

Lenten Soup Suppers continue at 6pm on Wednesdays before the Lenten church service. The twist is...bring a can of soup for the POP Pantry!

Check out the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board near the kitchen. Sign up for soup or bread on any the nights. Many people join in during the clean-up.

### Mowing Schedule-sign up sheet coming soon!

Spring is on the way. With that comes regular lawn maintenance...(i.e.mowing). If any of you have the time and are willing we need some volunteers to give us a hand. There is a LAWN MOWING signup sheet on the bulletin board next to the kitchen. The spots are in 2 week increments. We need volunteers for the John Deer riding mower and the Toro walk behind mower. You can sign up for both or one or the other. If you haven't mowed the church grounds before it would be a good idea to have a tutorial. Contact Ami in the church office and she will set you up with an appointment with Joe Rock, Bernie Polikowsky, or Mel Nebelsieck.



### POP Pantry – The Cupboard is bare!

#### Food:

Small peanut butter jars, jelly/jam, pancake mix, syrup, cereal, canned tuna/chicken, individual trail mix, meat sticks, granola bars, soup, & boxed meals.

#### Necessities:

Toothpaste, wrapped toothbrushes, deodorant, little lotions and dish soap



# Faith & Fitness Exercise Class

I wanted to invite you to a new class I will be instructing at Prince of Peace on Tue/Thurs starting in April. The classes will run in 8 wk segments.

The class will be a mix of low impact movement using bands, weights along with core, agility and balance work. We will use a mat at times and incorporate Pilate movements and stretching. Class details are below, I hope you can make it. I will ask you to let me know as there is limited space.

**\$60.00 per session (8 wks)**

Session #1

Tue/ Thurs

4/1-5/22/25

1pm

Session #2


Tue/Thur

6/3-7/22/25

I look forward to seeing you in class!

Lisa Lester

509 710 9693

Birthdays	Anniversaries
<p>April 3– Andrew Liezen                      April 6– Gwen Akers                      April 8– Orv Kirkevold                      April 13– Susan Sanborn                      April 16– Joan Benesch                      April 18– Mary Spear                      April 20– Diane Floyd</p>	<p>April 7- Matt &amp; Joene Liezen</p> 

**Serving You Today...**

<p><b>Pastor:</b> Joel Skindlov  <b>Worship Assistant:</b> Kathy Fleiger  <b>Keyboarding:</b> Janet Robel  <b>Altar Guild:</b> Holly Christoff</p>	<p><b>Fellowship:</b> Lynne Jacobsen  <b>Ushers:</b> Joe Rock &amp; Frank Christoff  <b>Media:</b> Simon Feist  <b>Communion Servers:</b> Holly Christoff</p>
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